

House Resolution No. 3421

Whereas, it is with heavy hearts that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the significant achievements of a life gone by, that of Colleen M. Sondermann, who passed to her eternal reward on February 17, 2004; and

Whereas, the former Colleen McCaffrey came into this world in St. Louis, and received her education at Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau; and

Whereas, in 1979, Colleen married her beloved James C. Sondermann, a kind and loving gentleman with whom she shared the love and admiration of three fine children; and

Whereas, Colleen Sondermann was a staunch Democrat who ran for public office for the first time in June 2002, and was elected as Alderwoman of the 23rd Ward after her husband vacated the position to take a job in the office of the Honorable Francis Slay, Mayor of the City of St. Louis; and

Whereas, a member of the Tilles Park Neighborhood Association Board who loved working in the park, Colleen Sondermann served as the Office Manager at Midwest Hematology and Oncology Group, Inc., which focuses on cancer research and treatment; and

Whereas, a warm, caring woman who enriched the lives of everyone with her enthusiasm, style, and humor, Colleen Sondermann leaves behind to cherish her memory her devoted husband of twenty-five years, James C. Sondermann; her three children, Jimmy, Stephen, and Christina; her sister, Maureen McCaffrey of St. Louis County; her four brothers, Michael McCaffrey of Gaylord, Michigan, Jim McCaffrey of Richmond, Virginia, Tom McCaffrey of Casper, Wyoming, and Joe McCaffrey of St. Louis County; and her stepmother, Mary E. McCaffrey of St. Louis:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in paying final tribute to Colleen Sondermann, a remarkable individual and dedicated public servant who will be sadly missed by all those who had the distinct pleasure of knowing and loving her; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the loved ones of the late Colleen M. Sondermann, as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

Offered by _____
Representative Fred Kratky
District No. 65

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3421, adopted June 16, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker